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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, November 17, 2014, at 2 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2014

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. FOXX).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
November 14, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable VIRGINIA FOXX to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:
Eternal God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

We come to the end of a week during which some Members of this people's House have come to finish their service in the Congress and others have come to prepare for their opportunity to serve this great Nation. It is a time of tremendous transition, a time fraught with trepidation and some uncertainty. Send Your spirit of peace and calm that all might have confidence in Your faithfulness to us and that no matter what lies ahead Your grace is abundantly available.

Bless the Members of this assembly and us all that we would be worthy of the call we have been given as Americans. Help us all to be truly thankful and appropriately generous in our response.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

IRAN NUCLEAR NEGOTIATIONS

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, as we approach the November 24

Iran nuclear deadline, we should all be reminded that Iran is a U.S.-designated state sponsor of terrorism. Iran continues to violate multiple U.N. Security Council resolutions, and the regime continues to advance its ballistic missile program, a program that has only one purpose: to launch a nuclear weapon. Iran is one of the world's worst human rights violators and under the so-called moderate Rouhani has been executing people in record numbers.

Yet we recently found out that President Obama sent a secret letter to Iran's Supreme Leader last month. The Supreme Leader responded by releasing a plan to destroy our closest friend and ally, the democratic Jewish State of Israel.

The Iranian regime cannot be trusted. Yet this administration continues to push for a nuclear deal that threatens our U.S. national security interests.

Madam Speaker, we must not allow any deal to be finalized that we view is not in the interests of the United States of America.

STOP DELAYING AMERICA'S MAIL

(Mr. HIGGINS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to stand with the American Postal Workers in Buffalo, New York, and across the country who today rally to send a message: Stop delaying America's mail.

Since 2012, 141 mail processing plants have closed. Eighty-two more across 37

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States are scheduled to either close or be consolidated beginning in January.

The erosion of service standards is not only bad for customers, U.S. businesses, and hardworking postal workers, but it represents a huge step backward in an increasingly competitive delivery industry.

Today the Postal Service Board of Governors holds their last public meeting of 2014. I urge them to reverse course and maintain service standards that uphold the trademark reputation of the United States Postal Service.

I also urge the House to bring H.R. 630, the Postal Service Protection Act, to the floor for a vote. This legislation removes the pension pre-fund obligation, provides for the expansion of shipping operations and the lease of surplus facility space while maintaining Saturday delivery.

WE NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY WE DO POLITICS IN AMERICA

(Mr. NOLAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. NOLAN. Madam Speaker, Members of the House, money and negative advertising in the last election cycle has clearly established the need for us to change the way we do politics here in America.

Putting an end to negative advertising is so essential. It is not only polluting the airwaves on TV, but it is denigrating the candidates, it is corrupting the public policy process, and it is dangerously diminishing people's confidence in our system.

I was greatly heartened 2 years ago to see the spirit of bipartisanship that came with all the new Members of the Congress. I am seeing it again. But until we change the way we do our politics, it is not going to be realized.

We need to do this by putting an end to all this money by outside special interests and their negative advertising and complement that with a change in the way we do business with open rules, where every idea gets a chance to be heard and voted on.

That is how bipartisanship works. That is how things get done. That is essential for compromise, and that is where we need to go to restore people's confidence in our system here in America.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 9:00 o'clock and 6 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro

tempore (Mr. WOMACK) at 12 o'clock and 13 minutes p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5682) to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline, will now resume.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. When proceedings were postponed on Thursday, November 13, 2014, all time for debate on the motion to recommit had expired, and the previous question had been ordered.

The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. CAPPS).

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for any electronic vote on the passage of the measure.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 192, nays 224, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 518]

YEAS—192

Adams
Barber
Barrow (GA)
Beatty
Becerra
Bera (CA)
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Bonamici
Brady (PA)
Braley (IA)
Brown (FL)
Brownley (CA)
Bustos
Butterfield
Capps
Capuano
Cárdenas
Carney
Carson (IN)
Cartwright
Castor (FL)
Castro (TX)
Chu
Cicilline
Clark (MA)
Clarke (NY)
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Cleaver
Clyburn
Cohen
Connolly
Conyers
Cooper
Courtney
Crowley
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Cummings
Davis (CA)
Davis, Danny
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DeGette
Delaney
DeLauro
DelBene
Deutch
Dingell
Doggett
Doyle
Edwards
Ellison

Engel
Eshoo
Esty
Farr
Fattah
Foster
Frankel (FL)
Fudge
Gabbard
Gallego
Garamendi
Garcia
Grayson
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Grijalva
Gutiérrez
Hahn
Hanabusa
Hastings (FL)
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Himes
Hinojosa
Holt
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Horsford
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Israel
Jackson Lee
Jeffries
Johnson (GA)
Johnson, E. B.
Kaptur
Keating
Kelly (IL)
Kennedy
Kildee
Kilmer
Kind
Kirkpatrick
Kuster
Langevin
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Lee (CA)
Levin
Lewis
Lipinski
Loebsock

Lofgren
Lowenthal
Lowey
Lujan Grisham
(NM)
Luján, Ben Ray
(NM)
Lynch
Maffei
Maloney
Carolyn
Maloney, Sean
Matheson
Matsui
McCarthy (NY)
McCollum
McDermott
McIntyre
McNerney
Meeks
Meng
Michaud
Miller, George
Moore
Moran
Murphy (FL)
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal
Negrete McLeod
Nolan
Norcross
O'Rourke
Owens
Pallone
Pascarelli
Pastor (AZ)
Pelosi
Peters (CA)
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Peterson
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Pocan
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Price (NC)
Quigley
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Richmond
Roybal-Allard
Ruiz

Ruppersberger
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Ryan (OH)
Sánchez, Linda
T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sarbanes
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schneider
Schrader
Schwartz
Scott (VA)
Scott, David
Serrano

Sewell (AL)
Shea-Porter
Sherman
Sinema
Sires
Slaughter
Speier
Swalwell (CA)
Takano
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Tierney
Titus
Tonko
Tsongas

Van Hollen
Vargas
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Velázquez
Visclosky
Walz
Wasserman
Schultz
Waters
Waxman
Welch
Wilson (FL)
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Bilirakis
Bishop (UT)
Black
Blackburn
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Brady (TX)
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Bridenstine
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Brooks (IN)
Broun (GA)
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Calvert
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Cassidy
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Chaffetz
Clawson (FL)
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Collins (GA)
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Conaway
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Gingrey (GA)
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Graves (MO)
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McAllister
McCarthy (CA)
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Rodgers
Meadows
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Messer
Mica
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
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Mulvaney
Murphy (PA)
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Nunnelee
Olson
Palazzo
Paulsen
Pearce
Perry

Petri
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Poe (TX)
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Posey
Price (GA)
Reed
Reichert
Renacci
Ribble
Rice (SC)
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Rohrabacher
Rokita
Rooney
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Ross
Rothfus
Royce
Runyan
Ryan (WI)
Salmon
Sanford
Scalise
Schock
Schweikert
Scott, Austin
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shimkus
Shuster
Simpson
Smith (MO)
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Southernland
Stewart
Stivers
Stockman
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Terry
Thompson (PA)
Thornberry
Tiberi
Tipton
Turner
Upton
Valadao
Wagner
Walberg
Walden
Walorski
Weber (TX)
Webster (FL)
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Blumenauer
Campbell

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Enyart
Gerlach

Hall
Jones